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TO AMEMBASSY TAIPEI IMMEDIATE

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TAGS: MNUC, TW

SUBJECT: RETURN OF US-ORIGIN PLUTONIUM TO U.S.

REF: STATE 132586

1. WITH REGARD TO SUBJECT ARRANGEMENTS, EMBASSY REQUESTED
TO CONTACT CAEC AND MSC IN TAIPEI TO WORK OUT DETAILS FOR
DELIVERY OF MATERIAL TO VESSEL.

2. EMBASSY MAY INFORM ROC THAT US WILL REIMBURSE ROC FOR
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863 GRAMS PU AT RATE OF NINE DOLS. PER GRAM LESS
TRANSPORTATION COST TO U.S. PORT (OAKLAND, CA.), ESTIMATED
TO BE IN RANGE OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLS. REIMBURSEMENT WILL
BE IN FORM OF CREDIT AGAINST FUTURE PURCHASES OF ENRICHED
URANIUM OR OTHER APPROVED MATERIALS OR SERVICES.

3. IN THIS CONNECTION AMBASSADOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE, IS

HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE THE FOLLOWING TRANSFER OF
TITLE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE US:

TRANSFER OF TITLE

WHEREAS, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE REPUBLIC OF
CHINA HAVE AGREED THAT 863 GRAMS OF PLUTONIUM (HEREAFTER
REFERRED TO AS "THE MATERIAL") TO WHICH TITLE IS PRESENTLY
IN THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA, WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND

WHEREAS, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE REPUBLIC
OF CHINA DESIRE TO SPECIFY THE PRECISE TIME AND MANNER
BY WHICH TITLE TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED MATERIAL WILL PASS
FROM THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMER-
ICA.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS AGREED THAT THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA
WILL DELIVER THE MATERIAL TO AN AGENT OF THE UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA AT A TIME AND PLACE IN THE REPUBLIC OF
CHINA TO BE SPECIFIED BY THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN TAIPEI.
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WILL ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY
FOR TRANSPORTING THE MATERIAL. TITLE TO THE MATERIAL
WILL PASS FROM THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA TO THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA AT SUCH TIME AS THE MATERIAL LEAVES THE
JURISDICTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

DONE THIS DAY OF 1978.

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FOR THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA (NAME),
FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (NAME).

4. THE PLUTONIUM TO BE SHIPPED HAS ALREADY BEEN PACK-
AGED IN STANDARD SHIPPING CONTAINER AND SEALED BY THE
IAEA. HOWEVER, IN ORDER TO ASSURE PROTECTION OF IAEA
SEAL DURING SHIPMENT IT MAY BE DESIRABLE THOUGH NOT
ESSENTIAL TO HAVE THE ROC PLACE A SECONDARY WOODEN
CASING AROUND THE CONTAINER. EMBASSY SHOULD DISCUSS
THIS WITH CAEC.

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